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COMMITTEE REPORT

YES:	11
NO:	0

MR. SPEAKER:

*Your Committee on Human Affairs, to which was referred House Bill 1845, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill **be amended** as follows:*

- 1 Page 4, line 11, delete "This section applies to:" and insert "**A town**
- 2 **council, township trustee, and township board shall:**
- 3 **(1) hold a public hearing if a town and a township that are**
- 4 **participants in a library services authority established under**
- 5 **IC 20-14-8 before January 1, 2003, intend to convert a library**
- 6 **services authority to a class 1 library district; and**
- 7 **(2) give public notice of a hearing under subdivision (1) for**
- 8 **thirty (30) days in a newspaper of general circulation in the**
- 9 **county in which the township is located.**
- 10 **(b) Not later than thirty (30) days after the hearing under**
- 11 **subsection (a)(2), any registered voter in the town or township**
- 12 **where the public library is proposed to be established may file with**
- 13 **the respective town council, township trustee, and township board**
- 14 **a remonstrance that:**

1 (1) is signed by registered voters in the town or township
2 where the public library is proposed to be established; and
3 (2) states that those registered voters who have signed the
4 remonstrance are opposed to the establishment of the public
5 library.

6 (c) The following apply to a remonstrance that is filed under
7 subsection (b):

8 (1) The remonstrance must show the following:

9 (A) The date on which each person signed the
10 remonstrance.

11 (B) The residence of each person on the date the person
12 signed the remonstrance.

13 (2) The remonstrance must include an affidavit of the person
14 circulating the remonstrance stating that each signature on
15 the remonstrance:

16 (A) was affixed in the person's presence; and

17 (B) is the true signature of the person who signed the
18 remonstrance.

19 (3) Several copies of the remonstrance may be executed. The
20 total of the copies constitute a remonstrance. A copy must
21 include an affidavit as described in subdivision (2). Any signer
22 may file the remonstrance or any copy. All copies constituting
23 a remonstrance must be filed on the same day.

24 (4) The clerk of the circuit court in the county where the town
25 or township where the public library that is proposed to be
26 established is located shall do the following:

27 (A) If a name appears more than one (1) time on a
28 remonstrance, the clerk shall strike any duplicates of the
29 name until the name appears only one (1) time on a
30 remonstrance.

31 (B) Strike the name from either the remonstrance of a
32 person who personally, in the clerk's office, makes a
33 voluntary written and signed request for the clerk to strike
34 the person's name from the remonstrance.

35 (C) Not more than fifteen (15) days after a remonstrance
36 is filed, certify the number of signatures on the
37 remonstrance that:

38 (i) are not duplicates; and

1 (ii) represent persons who are registered voters in the
2 town or township where the public library is proposed to
3 be established, on the day the persons signed the
4 remonstrance.

5 (D) Establish a record of the clerk's certification in the
6 clerk's office and file the original remonstrance if any, and
7 a copy of the clerk's certification with the legislative body
8 of the town or township.

9 The clerk of the circuit court may only strike a person's name
10 from a remonstrance as set forth in clauses (A) and (B).

11 (d) If a remonstrance is filed, the town council, township trustee,
12 and township board shall review the remonstrance.

13 (e) If a remonstrance has not been filed or after the
14 remonstrances have been reviewed, the".

15 Page 4, delete lines 12 through 20.

16 Page 4, line 21, delete "(b) A".

17 Page 4, run in lines 11 and 21.

18 Page 4, line 31, delete "(c)" and insert "(f)".

19 Page 4, line 39, delete "(d)" and insert "(g)".

20 Page 5, line 10, delete "(e)" and insert "(h)".

21 Page 5, line 11, delete "(c)" and insert "(b)".

22 Page 5, between lines 20 and 21, begin a new paragraph and insert:

23 "(i) The library district shall present each budget and property
24 tax levy to the:

25 (1) town council;

26 (2) township trustee; and

27 (3) township board.

28 (j) The:

29 (1) town council;

30 (2) township trustee; and

31 (3) township board;

- 1 **may submit comments to the library district regarding the budget**
- 2 **and property tax levy before the final adoption of the budget and**
- 3 **property tax levy by the library district."**

(Reference is to HB 1845 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Representative Summers